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Word was recently received by the Governors of the University from the Executors of the will of the late Captain Percival Molson, of the splendid bequest of Seventy-five thousand dollars towards the cost of construction of the new Stadium. This magnificent bequest is typical of the donor, for not only was Captain Molson a star in the sporting field during the whole of his college career, but from the day of his graduation, until he met his untimely end, he displayed the keenest interest in all matters pertaining to student interests, but more particularly in the line of sports. To his efforts was due, in a very large degree, the building of the Stadium.

Construction was started on this project early in the fall of 1914, under the management of a committee of graduates, with the late Capt. Molson as Chairman. This committee had obtained a loan to finance the project, which had previously been submitted to and accepted by the Undergraduates of the University, and work was completed in the fall of 1915. Had it not been for the efforts of Capt. Molson it is doubtful if McGill would have possessed a stadium for many years to come, as negotiations were just completed before the outbreak of war.

At the completion of the work the committee was saddled with a large financial responsibility, as the agreement with the student body stated that the interest on the loan would be borne by a Committee of Graduates until such time as the Students' Council were deriving a revenue from the use of the Stadium.

This bequest will now make it possible for the students to take over the Stadium on the resumption of inter-collegiate activities practically free from debt.

During his college career the late Captain Molson was prominent both in Track and Football activities, being Captain of the Track team in his Senior year (1901), the year of the memorable Oxford-Cambridge-Toronto-McGill meet.

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SYSTEM OF STUDENTS' SELF GOVERNMENT HISTORY AND FUNCTIONS OF STUDENTS' COUNCIL

First Council 1908-09 --- Took Over Management of Student Affairs. A Record of Successful Administration.

(We draw the special attention of students who come to McGill for the first time to the following article, which we owe to the kind co-operation of Mr. H. A. Melville, Secretary of the Students' Council.)

H. H. PITTS, Med. '18,



President of the Students' Society, 1917-18.

The Students' Council, the executive Council of the Students' Society, was formed and authorized by the University authorities in the spring of 1907 and took charge of student affairs during the session of 1908-09. Previous to the inception of the Council, all athletics were governed by a committee, appointed by the Governor of the University, named the Grounds Committee, under a system of appropriating so much money to each club, each individual club handling their own finances. Organizations, other than sporting, with the exception of the Literary and Debating Society, were governed by individual students and financed by the members of the club or society. The Literary and Debating Society was restricted to Arts students and obtained their backing from a compulsory fee of fifty cents from each undergraduate of the Arts Faculty. Athletics were supported by a compulsory fee, from each undergraduate registered in the University, of three dollars, known as the grounds and athletic fee. This money was paid to the Grounds Committee, by the University Authorities, and disbursed by the Committee to the several athletic organizations as they saw fit. Under this system it was found that there was absolutely no co-operation between the various student organizations, and during the session of 1906-7 the idea of student government was advanced, after many conferences between leading student members of the faculty, and the Board of Governors, the infant of the present form of government was born, and the session of 1908-9 saw the first attempt at McGill of student government of student affairs. This Council, under the Presidency of John Hackett, Law '09, had probably the hardest task that was ever set before a student organization, for not only were they restricted as to finances, but they also had to face problems of which there was no precedent that they could refer to. Then again, the venture was received by the authorities as an experiment, and only tolerated as such. Mr. Hackett, however, was fortunate enough to have real men associated with him on the Council, including the late Capt. Guy M. Drummond, Arts '08; Capt. Gregor Barclay, Law '08; Dr. F. M. Auld, Med. '09; W. J. Galbraith, Sci. '09; Lt. J. A. DeLancy, Sci. '09; A. G. McGowan, Arts '09; Lt. W. L. Cassell, Sci. '13, and H. N. Wood, Sci. '11.

The grounds and athletic fee now came under the control of the Council, from which they had to contribute a certain proportion of the cost of the upkeep of the University grounds. The Literary and Debating Society retained its own control, as also did the majority of the minor clubs and societies, so that really speaking, the first year of the Council's existence meant only the transfer of the financial control of athletics from the Grounds Committee to the students themselves. The first year of the new venture cannot be said to have proved

a very wonderful success, but as it did not terminate disastrously it was allowed to continue for another year.

The second year saw W. S. Robertson, Sci. '10, at the helm, and under his able guidance and with the assistance of having the previous Council's experiences to work on, the experiment started to take definite shape, and student government bid fair to become a permanency. The inadequate revenues were now beginning to be felt, and the deficit had mounted to the formidable sum of \$4,000.

The following year, with Dr. John Harrison, Med. '12, as President, the clouds on the financial sky were in a large measure dispelled, as the Council, due in a large measure to the success of athletics and the increase in the number of students in the University, showed a surplus on their year's activities of \$3,800. A number of far-sighted students, however, recognized this as an abnormal year, and realizing the financial insecurity of the Council, started to cast about for some means whereby the definite revenues, such as fees, could be increased. Various systems were investigated, and when reverses were again met with by Dr. G. S. Ramsay, Med. '12, and his Council in 1911-12, and the total deficit mounted to \$2,900, serious measures were undertaken, as the result of which the universal fee was adopted by the student body, and sanctioned by the Board of Governors of the University. It was decided that this fee should amount to \$10, and should be compulsory to all full fledged men students and be collected by the Bursar of the University, along with tuition fees. The distribution of the fee was decided on as follows:

To the Students' Council—\$6.00.

To the McGill Union—\$3.00, and to the Undergraduate Society of the faculty in which the student registered, \$1.00.

The proportion of the fee allotted to the Council was to be apportioned in the following way:

To the support of Athletics—\$3.00.

Subscription to the Daily paper—\$1.50.

To the support of all other activities than above mentioned—\$1.50.

Under this scheme the financial control of all clubs and societies, including the Literary and Debating Society, was vested in the Council, the only exceptions to this rule being the Union and the Undergraduate Societies, for which, as will be seen, special provision was made in the fee. This was definitely put into force the following session. The session of 1911-12 was very notable inasmuch as it fostered the birth of the McGill Daily, which replaced the old tri-weekly martlet. This was the first attempt by any Canadian University to publish a Daily newspaper, in fact, to-day, McGill still stands alone in this field in Canada. The first year of the operation of the Universal fee the guidance of affairs was in the hands of John MacNaughton, Law '13, and owing to the inexperience of running the daily, and the inopportune venture of the Supply Room, very severe financial reverses were suffered, and the Council deficit amounted to the appalling sum of \$11,000. The majority of this amount was due to trades people, and very naturally it was a condition that, if allowed to continue, would have had a very detrimental effect on the standing of the University as a whole. It was at this period that the beneficial effect of having graduates in sympathy with undergraduate activities was felt. A committee of graduates took the matter in hand and through their efforts, a loan from an unnamed party was obtained to pay off all the liabilities and place the organization on a sound financial basis. This loan was obtained without interest, the only stipulation being that a graduate Controller should be appointed, by the Governors of the University, who should have full control over all financial matters, until the loan was fully repaid. Capt. George C. McDonald, Arts '04, was appointed to this position by the authorities, as it was to his efforts that matters had been smoothed out, and he, from his experience, and being a chartered accountant, was in possession of a fuller understanding of conditions than any one else, at the same time being one of the class of younger graduates to whom the interests of the students were so vital. To the efforts of Captain McDonald are due the whole hearted thanks of students of generations to come, for had it not been for his efforts in this crisis, it is very doubtful if the authorities would have allowed the students to retain control of their own activities. During this session a change was made in the modes of the election of the Council which is referred to later in this article.

For the session of 1914-15, Captain Shirley G. Dixon, Law '15, was appointed President of the Council, and under his hand and with the aid of the Controller and the reorganized system the Executive experienced the most successful financial season of its history, the deficit being reduced from \$11,000 to \$1,200. This splendid showing was due to the large registration of students, there being 1,300 full members of the Students' Society, and the general success of all

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A course of eighteen weekly lectures on Greek poetry will be delivered jointly by the Principal and Professor John Macnaughton during the winter months. These lectures will be addressed not only to classical students, but also to persons having no knowledge of the Greek language. The aim of the course will be to reveal to a general audience by selected readings and by reference to standard English translations of the Greek Poets, the interest which attaches to the literary creations of the Hellenic genius.

The opening lecture on "The Study of Greek Literature" will be delivered by Sir William Peterson on the afternoon of Tuesday, 9th October, at 5 p.m., in the Royal Victoria College. This lecture will be open to the public.

Thereafter the syllabus of lectures will be as under:—
Homer and the Homeric Age.
Homer and History.
Epic Poetry—The Iliad and Odyssey: Three lectures by Professor Macnaughton.
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The Drama at Athens.
Tragedy and Comedy.
Aeschylus, Sophocles, Euripides and Aristophanes—Four lectures by Professor Macnaughton.
Theocritus and Pastoral Poetry.
The Greek Anthology.
Fee for the course—\$5.00.

WHAT'S ON.

- Oct. 4.—Meeting of the Track Club at 5 p.m. in the Union.
- Oct. 4.—Reception of Freshmen of the Faculties of Arts, Law and Theology at 8 p.m. in the Hall.
- Oct. 4.—1916 Annual Board Meeting at R. V. C. at 5 p.m.
- Oct. 5.—Y.M.C.A. Cabinet meeting at 7 p.m. in Room A.
- Oct. 5.—Reception of Freshmen of the Faculties of Science and Medicine at 8 p.m.
- Oct. 8.—Annual Thanksgiving Dinner at 6 p.m. in the Hall.
- Oct. 12.—Interclass Class.
- Oct. 19.—University Sports.

MEDICINE '22 ELECTIONS.

At a meeting of Medicine '22, in the Physics Building, the following officers were returned: Pres. J. C. Cope-land; vice-pres. Miss J. M. Boyd; secretary, P. C. Whiting; reporter, H. Lipsey; social committee, B. Benjamin and T. Stenson.
(We understand Miss J. M. Boyd has not accepted the position on the Executive on account of the undecided status of women students in the Medical Faculty).

PRESBYTERIANS HOLD JUBILEE CELEBRATION

Prof. Hugh Black Addresses
Large and Appreciative
Audience.

Tuesday morning saw the inauguration of the Jubilee Celebration of the Presbyterian College. Coupled with this very important event in the history of the College is the Annual Alumni Conference held here every year. A very great number of the Alumni of the College have gathered together not only to celebrate the Jubilee of their Alma Mater, but to engage in deep and serious theological discussion, but to renew acquaintances and to live again the happy days spent within the College walls. The Alumni of the College are scattered far and wide. They have entered all possible fields of activity connected with the Church, and have gone to the ends of the earth in doing so. Necessarily, only those in presbyteries and parishes contiguous to the city are enabled to attend. Some have come from the neighboring city of Toronto to contribute to the programme, and to receive honour at the hands of the Alma Mater.

In view of the importance of the occasion the Alumni Association have worked long and vigorously to procure the very best speakers to lead the thoughts of the Conference. Branches of study important to the practical accomplishment of the Church's work as well as to stimulate the intellect have been mapped out, and experts in these various departments have come to speak. In all about fifty Alumni are present on this occasion.

The Conference opened with a paper on "Early Types of Christianity," by Mr. F. S. Mackenzie, who is Travelling Fellow of the Theological Faculty, and at present pursuing his post graduate work at Harvard. The paper was a prodigious piece of work, involving a great deal of careful preparation. The speaker showed at once his mastery over the subject in hand, as well as his splendid scholarly achievements. He showed in a very illuminating manner the diverse conditions of early Christian thought, and the consequently wide possibilities of interpretation in the years preceding a definite fixing and unifying of Christian thought. The paper was much appreciated by the large audience who listened to it. Mr. Mackenzie was heartily thanked for his very fine and scholarly contribution to the Conference.

To those who have long been connected with the College, and who have watched its growth from infancy to its present middle, it is not elderly age, the paper giving a historical sketch of the College by the Rev. Norman MacLeod of St. Anne de Bellevue, was a feature of interest. He traced its history from its inception in the basement of Crescent St. Church, through all its vicissitudes to its present position of permanence and power.

The great intellectual treat of the Conference is the course of lectures being delivered on the transition from Paganism to Christianity, by Prof. Callander, of Queen's. So popular have these lectures become that the large attendance necessitated the holding of them in the David Morrice Hall instead of in the class room as at first arranged. Prof. Callander shows himself a devoted seeker after the truth. His work on the Pagan religion is second to none, and his linking them up with the early and indeed later thought and practice of Christianity is most fascinating. These lectures are but in the process of delivery. That they shed a new and interesting light on the New Testament is recognized by all. They give us a new conception of St. Paul and his tremendous influence in shaping and moulding the great Evangel of the world. The close of these lectures will be followed by a discussion led by Prof. Welsh, which will doubtless prove interesting and instructive.

The afternoon session on Sunday, if we may be permitted to use Presbyterian terms, was devoted to a most interesting paper by Prof. Lochhead, of Macdonald College, on "The Country Church." This was a masterly piece of work, and showed on the part of the speaker not only an interest in agricultural pursuits, but also an intense desire for the betterment of rural communities along moral, religious and social lines. The discussion which followed was opened by the Rev. D. N. Coburn, of Ormatown, Que.

Undoubtedly, the crowning event of the Conference, although not at the end, was the Convocation held on Tuesday night. The Annual Spring Convention was held over for this occasion. The David Morrice Hall was packed to overflowing with the friends of the College who, with the Hall and Alumni and students, had come to celebrate its 50th birthday. Principal Fraser presided, and in his opening remarks stated the reason for the occasion. Several degrees of Doctor of Divinity, Honouris Causa were conferred upon men who had distinguished themselves in the theological world at home and abroad, and upon some Alumni of the College. The Rev. J. C. Robertson, of Toronto, the Rev. Mr. MacLeod, of Ormatown, and Rev. W. R. Cruikshank, were some of the others also honoured. From Union Theological Seminary, New York, the Rev. Prof. Hugh Black came to be the Convocation speaker. In an inspiring and fervid address on the ethics of the war, he delivered himself of one of the most notable utterances on any theme in connection with the war, ever heard in Montreal. His small frame was convulsed time and again with emotion as he spoke. Prof. Black is an orator of the first rank, as those who heard him will willingly and readily testify. Sir Wm. Peterson, who occupied a place on the platform, expressed on behalf of the audience, their appreciation of Prof. Black's magnificent address.

At 9.30 on Wednesday morning the Conference met to consider the important matter of Religious Education. The Rev. J. C. Robertson, not

WELL KNOWN McGILL PROF. PASSES AWAY

Dr. G. P. Girdwood, Prominent
in Medical Circles.

RECEIVED HIGH HONOURS.

Was for Many Years Lecturer in
Chemistry at McGill.

All day yesterday the flag on the Arts Building flew at half mast as a token of respect for the late Dr. G. P. Girdwood, who passed away at his home, 615 University Street.

Dr. Gilbert Prout Girdwood was one of the best known and best liked, as well as one of the most learned men of the medical profession in Canada.

At all impeded by the honours conferred on him the evening previously, gave a most admirable address on the subject. Dr. Robertson is the first authority to speak on Sunday School work in Canada. He has for a number of years occupied the position of General Secretary of Sunday School Work in the Presbyterian Church of Canada. The Rev. W. O. Rothney, another educationalist, opened the rather lengthy and interesting discussion which followed.

The afternoon session was devoted to a discussion on The Practical Use of Theological Material, led by a paper of splendid literary merit and much careful thought from Dr. Harvey Jellie. The discussion which followed was led by Rev. Prof. Welsh, and also taken part in by Rev. Principal Ritchie, of Nottingham College, England, who is here to deliver a course of lectures on Homiletics to the students of the joint Theological Colleges.

The evening session was one of much importance and great interest. The meeting began with an act of commemoration for the benefactors, principals, professors and students who have fallen in the war. An interesting feature was the unveiling of a handsome art painting of the late Prin. Scrimger, presented by the Alumni. The Rev. Dr. Johnston paid a high tribute to those far-sighted men who, half a century ago, founded the College, and to others who since then have given of their means and time towards its maintenance. Notable among these must be mentioned Mr. Redpath and Mr. Morrice, who did so much for the institution in the past.

The Rev. Dr. Herridge, an ex-Moderator of the General Assembly, addressed the gathering on "The Change in Theological Attitudes during the Half Century."

Other interesting events are yet to follow, including a social evening on Thursday night, to which is welcomed all friends of the College, and at which reminiscences will be given by prominent graduates.

He was the son of G. F. Girdwood, M.D. of Edinburgh University, who, hailing from the little Scottish town of Polmont, in Stirlingshire, went to London, and married Miss Susan Sophia Bazeley, daughter of the Rev. Thomas Bazeley, rector of Lavenham, Suffolk, and chaplain to H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester.

Born in London on October 22, 1832, he received his early education at a private school, and subsequently entered University College and St. George's School of Medicine. He was admitted a member of the Royal College of Surgeons of England in 1854, and for a short time served as house surgeon in the Liverpool Infirmary. In the same year he was gazetted assistant surgeon of Her Majesty's Grenadier Guards.

Dr. Girdwood accompanied the 1st Battalion of the Grenadier Guards to Canada at the time of the famous Trent affair, in 1862, and on its return to England in 1864, retired from the army to take up his permanent residence and practice in Montreal.

In 1865 he took the degree of M.D., C.M., at McGill University.

He served for some years as surgeon of the Third Victoria Rifles, and served with that regiment at the front during the Fenian troubles, later receiving the medal. Not long after he was promoted to be a medical staff officer of the Militia of Canada.

In 1869 he was appointed Lecturer in Practical Chemistry in the Faculty of Medicine at McGill. In 1872 he became Professor of Practical Chemistry, and in 1879 Professor of Chemistry, holding his chair with great advantage to the University until 1902, when he retired from active teaching, and was then named Emeritus Professor of Chemistry.

For twelve years he was surgeon to the Montreal Dispensary and to the Montreal General Hospital, and, following this service, was appointed Consulting Surgeon to both institutions. He also became Consulting Surgeon to the Children's Memorial Hospital; Consultant Physician in the X-Ray Department of the Royal Victoria Hospital, and Chief Medical Officer of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

Received High Honours.

Dr. Girdwood was a former President of the Roentgen Society of America; vice-president of the Canadian Branch of the Society of Chemical Industry; a Fellow of the Chemical Society and also of the Chemical Institute of Great Britain.

On the organization of the Royal Society of Canada by the Marquis of Lorne (late Duke of Argyll), then Governor-General, in 1882, Dr. Girdwood was appointed one of the original Fellows of that body.

He was a member of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of the Provinces of Quebec, Ontario and British Columbia; of both the British and the American Associations for the advancement of Science; of the Montreal Natural History Society; and of the Montreal Microscopical Society, of which he was elected president in 1892.

In his busy life he found time to contribute many valuable articles on professional subjects to the London Lancet, the Montreal Medical Journal and the Transactions of the Royal Society of Canada.

The funeral of the late Dr. Girdwood will be held this afternoon at 2.30 p.m., from his residence, 615 University Street.

There will be no work in the Department of Medicine for the First and Second Years from 2 to 4 p.m., and delegates of these two classes will attend the funeral at 2.15, from 615 University Street.

The following is a list of the delegates from the first year:

- A. S. Auclair, B. Bernfeld, G. A. DesLauriers, Max Diamond, M. J. Aarons, E. H. Adams, R. A. Allcock, E. J. Bassen, J. M. Baxter, B. Benjamin, J. Block, G. A. Boon, P. A. Boucher, H. B. Breitman, I. E. Brouse, C. Buckman, C. A. Burgess, H. C. Bussiere, M. F. Cashin, C. H. Collins, T. T. Collins, J. G. Cope-land, J. A. Corrigan, J. E. D. Coughlin.



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Whilst the College is organized on a strictly military basis the cadets receive a practical and scientific training in subjects essential to a sound modern education.

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CAPT. SOLATER DEAD—
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Capt. J. L. Solater, whose death on August 15, has been announced, was the son of Lieut.-Col. J. Solater, of the British Columbia Regiment, who is serving in France, as commandant of an Army School of Instruction. Capt. Solater was a student at McGill University when the war broke out, and at once enlisted in his father's regiment. In June, after serving for some months in France, he was given a commission in one of the battalions in his regiment—and, last January, he was promoted to the rank of captain. He distinguished himself as a platoon commander—and it is believed by his superior officers, that had his life been spared he would have risen to a high rank. "The Corps," writes Gen. Currie, "has lost one of its very best officers."

"ACCIDENTS WILL HAPPEN."

During the Freshies' visit to Bryson's in the company of the Second Year men on Tuesday night, the 2nd, one of the men arrayed in nocturnal raiment, was heard telling the story of his capture to his brother-prisoners. He had been studying in his room with another of his verdant classmates—studying on the second day of term!—when a polite tap came on his door. He opened it and admitted the two visitors, whom he supposed were his classmates, who asked him to come out and have a little fun. They protested, saying that it was very late, and that mamma said to go to bed early every night. Then the bold Sophomores told them how things stood, and easily induced them to get arrayed in their carnal clothes. And all this didn't even make the Freshman sore, but he lamented the fact that by accident he had put on his new shoes in his hurry to dress, and had then stepped in a wet mud-puddle on the road! Poor Fresh, he'll get a cold!

SYSTEM OF STUDENTS' SELF GOVERNMENT, HISTORY AND FUNCTIONS OF STUDENTS' COUNCIL.
(Continued from Page 1.)

athletic activities. The Rugby Football Club repeated its success of the previous year in winning the Inter-collegiate Championship and showed the largest financial surplus of the club's history, namely, \$3,200. The Daily also contributed largely to the general success by finishing the year with a surplus of \$1,200, also a record. It was during this session that the idea of developing Macdonald Park was first mooted. This property, one of the many munificent gifts of the late Sir William Macdonald, was conceded by experts to be as fine a natural site for the construction of a stadium as any on the continent. This idea did not come to a head until the following session, when a committee of graduates, headed by the late Captain Percival Molson, and our Controller, Captain George C. McDonald, put their plans in concrete form before the Board of Governors and the student body. The Council of 1914-15 under the Presidency of Lt. J. Arthur Mathewson, Law '15, faced a big problem in handling this situation, as although they fully realized the necessity of a new Campus, and that the Graduates' Societies were working heart and soul in the interests of the student body, yet the financial obligations involved appeared to be an almost insurmountable difficulty. Briefly, the conditions were these—A loan was to be obtained for the construction of the Stadium, the final cost of which was estimated at \$75,000. Interest on this amount at the rate of 5 per cent. was to be a first charge on all gate receipts. The cost of administration was to be borne by the Council, provisions also being made for a sinking fund for the retirement of the loan. In the event of the gate receipts being insufficient to meet the interest charge, this item was to be met by a committee of graduates who agreed to guarantee the interest. The actual control was to be vested in a graduates' committee, on which the President of the Council and the President of the Athletic Association sat without a vote. Financial control was to be exercised by this committee having the appointment of the Controller.

In the meantime the financial affairs of the Council had continued to improve, and the loan raised two years previously had been fully paid off, and the Council finished their year with a surplus for their operations of \$3,000—in which the Daily and the Rugby Football Club were again big factors. This condition removed the difficulty regarding the appointments of the Controller and the Stadium scheme, after many weary nights of discussion, both by the graduates and the students, was adopted. Owing to the outbreak of war the Stadium has not as yet been taken over by the Council, so that the financial responsibility still rests upon the shoulders of the graduate guarantors. Early in the spring of 1915 the Daily indulged in its largest venture, and published a war supplement of sixty pages, of which ten thousand copies were disposed.

Owing to enlistment for overseas service of our Controller, Capt. George C. McDonald, he resigned, to follow in the footsteps of Capt. Gregor Barclay, a former member of the Council, in raising a reinforcing company for the celebrated Princess Pat's. C. L. I. Major Walter Molson, Arts '04, was appointed to the vacant position, and took office with the Council of 1915-16, under the Presidency of Lt. A. G. Lamb, Med. '17. At the opening of this session the memorable decision of suspending all Inter-collegiate activities for the duration of the war, was arrived at. This condition removed many opportunities of revenue from the Council, but despite this fact and the reduction in the number of students in attendance at the University, this Council was successful in following in the footsteps of the two preceding years, and showed a surplus on the session's operations of \$2,600.

This object was arrived at without depriving any of the clubs or societies of any necessary financial support, in fact, the minor activities received more attention and encouragement than in previous years. Last session the Council was under the leadership of Mr. F. B. Common, Law '16. This session saw the smallest registration of students in many years. Despite the large reduction in revenue from fees and loss of all revenue from Inter-collegiate activities, the Council also fell in line with a surplus of \$1,400. Again minor activities received a greater part of the Council's attention. In the latter part of the session Major Walter Molson enlisted for overseas service, and resigned his position as Controller, his place being filled by Mr. A. F. Byers, Sci. 1900.

The object and functions of the Council may best be defined by quoting from the constitution of the Students' Society. Under the heading of "Objects," it states: "To promote the general interests of the Students. Its functions are mainly to administer the finances of the affiliated clubs and Societies, and to act as a medium between the students and the University authorities, and the general public. The Council is composed of ten members, as follows: (A) The President of the Students' Society, who shall be Chairman. (B) The President of the Union. (C) The four Presidents of the Football, Hockey and Track Clubs, and of the Athletic Association. The above members shall serve for one year from the first day of July following their election. (D) One representative from each of the four faculties, who shall be elected by the students of such faculty, from the Junior Class thereof, between November the 20th, and December the 10th in each year. Nom-

TENNIS TOURNAMENT STARTS VERY SOON

Possible That Small M.'s May Be Granted Winners.

The Annual Tennis tournaments will be held during the next few weeks, and those desiring to enter are requested to put down their names at the earliest possible date, as entries, which will be found posted in the shack, close at the end of the week. The tournaments consist of the usual Club Singles and Doubles, and Freshman's Singles, and it is hoped that many members will enter and make a good showing. Complaints are heard on all sides about the slackness during the last few years, when the tournaments were not completed, but this need keep no man out this year, as the tournament will be finished, those not playing off their game at the scheduled time will lose by default. No promises have been made by the Athletic Association or Students' Council, but one feels sure that should the tennis be up to the mark these bodies would willingly grant small or large M.'s, and steps will be taken at the end of the tournament to secure judges to decide whether these are deserved. The much-needed wire fencing around the courts has not been forgotten, but only delayed, first on account of material, and now of labour. The money for the erection of a suitable fence was passed by the Students' Council in the spring. The Tennis Club is still living, as shown by the new nets, tapes, roof and water pipe laid down this year. It is up to the fellows to keep it a flourishing concern. Membership tickets can be obtained from Mr. Melville, at the office in the Union, Mr. Newsam, and Mr. Branch, at Strathcona Hall. The rates are the very nominal sums of \$2 for undergraduates, \$3 for graduates, and outside members \$7 per season, ladies being half fees. Turn out, men, and make the Tennis Club a success.

Inations from each faculty, signed by at least ten students of that faculty, shall be presented to the Secretary of the Students' Society at least ten days before the date of the election, and posted by him at least one week before that date. The above members shall serve for one year from the first day of January following their election. Previous to the session of 1914-15, the elections for the Council were held at the same time, which meant that a new Council was liable to start its work without having a member possessed of any previous experience. This lack of continuity was eradicated by having the representatives of the Faculties elected to serve from January to December, while the balance of the Executive continued to serve from July to June of the following year. Thus a Council starts

Y.M.C.A. DINNER FOR OUT-OF-TOWN MEN

Annual Thanksgiving Supper Will be Held on Monday in The Hall.

It has been a time honoured custom of the McGill Y. M. C. A. to entertain all students whose homes are out of town at a Thanksgiving Dinner. This example of generosity is annual, a much anticipated and much appreciated event. And this year many are already looking forward to the gathering. There will be present prominent speakers who will address the guests. At 6 p.m. dinner will start, and the programme will be completed by 8 p.m.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the McGill Y.M.C.A., an organization to which Strathcona Hall is indebted for many entertainments and favours, will provide the dinner. Yearly, the ladies have daintily arranged the tables and tastefully decorated the Hall. All out of town students will receive an invitation, and they are requested to reply before Saturday, at 9 a.m. "But," in the words of the Y.M.C.A. Board member in charge of preparations, "do not wait for the invitation. Just write your name on a card or piece of paper, and throw it into the box which will be placed in the Hall for that purpose. A special invitation is wholly unnecessary. Every student whose home is not in Montreal is cordially invited to this Dinner."

To those who have in former years attended similar Y.M.C.A. events, we realize the superfluity of anything in the way of an exhortation to attend the Dinner. But to those who as yet have not participated in a like event we most heartily and earnestly recommend that you be on hand next Monday. Its new session with four members who have had half a session's experience. This article is written with a view to putting before the members of the Students' Society, and more particularly the new members, information which may help them in their desire to participate in college activities, to give them a knowledge of the condition which governs those activities, and to remind them that the Students' Council is the Executive of their Society working for their interests. The members of the Council for this session are as follows: President—H. H. Pitts, Med. '18. Vice-President—D. C. Smelzer, Med. '18. Secretary—H. A. Melville. Faculty Representatives: Arts—K. P. Tsolomnos, Arts '18. Law—T. G. Dillon, Law '18. Science—W. H. Schiedel, Sci. '18. Medicine—C. W. Duck, Med. '18. Football—J. D. Fawcett, Med. '18. Hockey—G. D. Scott, Sci. '18.

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